in the country and what is the area of exploration;

(b) what is the estimated expenditure incurred so far on the venture;

CO what is the number of wells from which oil has been struck; and

(d) whether Government propose to review its collaboration with USSR taking into consideration the results achieved so far and if so, the steps taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The total number of wells drilled in collaboration with the USSR under the Intensive Integrated Exploration Programme (HEP) is 30. The areas covered under the HEP incorporate the North Cambay basin, the Ariyalur Pondicherry depression in Cauvery basin and the southern part of West Bengal basin.

(b) The estimated expenditure incurred so far is approximately Rs. 335 crores.

(c) Oil has not so far been struck in commercial quantities in any of the wells.

(d) The programme is reviewed periodically.

Parity in working hours ot commercial and clarlcal staff in Indian Airlines

956. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is long standing demand of the commercial staff of Indian Airlines for parity in working hours with other Departments engaged in clarical jobs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received, any representation in this regard;

(d) whether commercial staff working in Commercial Manager Secretariat and Indian Airlines Headquarters is working 38 hours a week and enjoy two weekly offs;

(e) whether Accounts|Administration personnel attached with Commercial Department are being paid Duty Allowance for working 44 hours;

(f) if so, whether the commercial staff will also be compensated; and

(g) if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

"' (b) The staff of the Commercial Department of Indian Airlines', in terms of an agreement between the Union and Management, are required to work for 44 hours a week. However, some employees have been demanding work for 38 hours a week and representations to this effect have been received by Indian Airlines from them.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) No, Sir. The commercial staff are required *to* work for 44 hours a week in accordance with the agreement between the Union and Management.

(g) Does not arise.

Increase in Oil Import Bill

957. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the impact on the Oil Import Bill for 1991-92 as a result of devaluation of the rupee?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): Impact of eva . luation of rupee on the oil import Bill for 1991-92 will depend on .the

prices of crude oil and petroleum products that prevail in the international market during the year 1991-92.

Winding up of the Vayudoot

958. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA;
KUMARI SAYEEDA KHATUN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the question of winding up Vayudoot;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what is the total estimated loss likely to be suffered by Government as a consequence thereof;

(d) what is the total strength of Vayudoot staff which would become surplus with the winding up of Vayudoot; and

(e) the manner in which Government propose to rehabilitate the staff?

THE MINISTER OP CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) to (e) Government is considering various options regarding the future set up of Vayudoot. No final decision has yet been taken in the matter.

Private sector entry in Tourism Industry

959. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India Tourism Development Corporation cater to only a limited number of people of the country;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to allow entry of private sector in this sector; and

(c) by when a final decision in thi regard is likely to be taken parti cularly for making it more compe titive?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIA TION AND TOURISM (SHR MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a)' No Sir.

(b) and (c) The private sector i already playing an important role ii the tourism sector and is quite com petitive

बड़े विद्युत गृहों का अधिग्रहण

960. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या विद्युत और गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार बड़े विद्युत गृहों का अधिग्रहण करने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है ?

विद्युत और गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री कल्पनाथ राय) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

भारत पर्यटन विकास निगम द्वारा चलाये जा रहे होटल

961. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में भारत पर्यटन विकास निगम द्वारा चलाये जा रहे होटलों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं ;

(ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान इनमें से प्रत्येक होटल को कितना-कितना लाभ अथवा हानि हुई ; और